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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :

SUCK, Roland, et al. : Group Art Unit.: 1644

Serial No.: 10/069,285 : Examiner: Patrick J. Nolan

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Title: METHOD FOR ISOLATING AND PURIFYING GRASS POLLEN ALLERGENS

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 26, 2005, applicants elect as species group 13 grass allergen and as a grass from which it is extracted, Phleum Pretense, which is also known as Timothy Grass.

The election requirement is traversed. The PTO has not established that it would pose an undue burden to examine the full scope of the elected group I at least.

Additionally, the process claimed achieves the purification of several components at the same time, not only of the claimed allergen 13. Thus, restricting the invention to the claimed species would be improper.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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